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SUBJECT FROM AFBMD-MT, ARDC FOR RDRB, AFBMD FOR WDEV, THIS MSG IN FOUR PARTS.

PART I. THE 12 JULY 60 SAMOS DEVELOPMENT PLAN WAS APPROVED FOR PRESENTATION TO DEFENSE, WITH CHANGE TO REQUIRE TOTAL OF TWO NEW ATLAS LAUNCH PADS WITH BLOCKHOUSE ADJACENT TO COMPLEX 1 AT PT ARGUELLO.

PART II. FOLLOWING PLANNING GUIDANCE FROM SAFUS IS BASED ON SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSIONS WITH OSD AND OTHERS: (A) DO NOT PLAN FOR THOR/SERGEANT LAUNCHES; (B) ANTICIPATE IMMEDIATE APPROVAL OF NEW TRIPLE PAD ATLAS COMPLEX AND PLAN FOR USE OF ATLAS/AGENA FOR NEW RECOVERY PAYLOADS; (C) NEW RECOVERY PAYLOAD PROGRAM MUST BE TRULY ADVANCED SYSTEM OR SYSTEMS OF HIGHEST RESOLUTIONS THAT STATE OF THE ART WILL ALLOW AND SHOULD INCLUDE ASSOCIATED ATTITUDE STABILIZATION SYSTEM AND APPROPRIATE RECOVERY SYSTEM; (D) CONSIDER EARLIEST FLIGHTS OF THE NEW SYSTEM IN LIEU OF F-2 AND F-3 WHEN NECESSARY TO MEET USIB REQUIREMENTS; (E) PLAN FOR THOR/AGENA AND TITAN I ARRIVES TO

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[redacted] THAT TEST CAN BE USED FOR COMPONENT TEST FLIGHTS OR [redacted]; (F) EXAMINE ASR LAUNCH POSSIBILITIES FOR APPLICATION TO [redacted] PROGRAM.

PART III. PENDING APPROVAL OF THE REVISED DEVELOPMENT PLAN BY [redacted], AFSC IS DIRECTED TO TAKE THE NECESSARY ACTION TO PROTECT [redacted] SCHEDULES TO ASSURE EARLIEST AVAILABILITY OF THE NEW PAYLOADS [redacted] INITIATION OF PAYLOAD PROGRAM SOURCE SELECTION ACTIONS. AFSC IS ALSO DIRECTED TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF THE PROGRAM REVISIONS ON BOOSTER PRODUCTION SCHEDULES AND PRESENT THE RESULTS TO THE [redacted] AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE.

PART IV. THE POINT ARGUELLO COMPLEX WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF SEPARATE ACTION FROM AFOCE.

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